

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Farm Service Agency  
Washington, DC 20250

**Notice FSFL-2**

**For:** FSA Offices

**Farm Storage Facility Loan Regulation Published in FR**

**Approved by:** Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



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**1 Overview**

**A**

**Background**

An interim rule announcing the Farm Storage Facility Loan Program (FSFLP) will be published in FR on May 11, 2000. This action allows FSA to:

- implement the program
- accept public comments before publishing a final rule.

The National training for FSFLP will take place the week of May 15, 2000. State Offices will then conduct training for County Offices.

FSA is awaiting OMB approval of the FSFLP forms.

**B**

**Purpose**

This notice provides:

- information about a provision in the regulation for public comment
- guidance on actions that a producer may take before loans can be approved
- procedures for accepting loan applications.

**C**

**Obsolete Notice**

Notice FSFL-1 is obsolete.

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**Disposal Date**

May 1, 2001

**Distribution**

All FSA Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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### 2 Program Status

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#### A

##### Interim Rule

The interim rule provides:

- a public comment period of 30 calendar days following the date of publication for not only FSFLP provisions but for comments about CCC financing, for:
  - structures to store commodities harvested as other than grain such as silage
  - alternative types of storage arrangements such as “condominium storage”
  - storage facilities for other agricultural products
- that producers who authorize actions without an approved loan, do so at their own risk and without creating any liability on behalf of CCC except for producers who between February 2, 2000, and May 11, 2000, took action based on the announcement of the program.

**Note:** Such action may include, but is not limited to:

- entering into purchase contracts
  - purchases of materials
  - taking delivery of parts
  - site preparation
  - construction.
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### 3 Action

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#### A

##### Producer Actions Between February 2 and Including May 11, 2000

County Offices shall:

- upon receipt of OMB approved CCC-185, accept applications from those producers who took purchase, site preparation, or construction actions between February 2, 2000, and including May 11, 2000
  - ensure that producers who took such actions between February 2, 2000, and including May 11, 2000, meet all eligibility and security requirements before approving loan applications.
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### 3 Action (Continued)

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#### B

##### **Producer Actions After May 11, 2000, and Before Loan Approval**

County Offices shall not approve loans to producers who take any of the following actions after May 11, 2000, and before a loan can be approved:

- accepting delivery of facility parts
  - beginning site preparation
  - beginning foundation construction
  - beginning upgrading an existing facility.
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#### C

##### **County Office Actions**

County Offices shall:

- publicize the contents of this notice using all available means
  - begin taking applications from all producers upon receipt on the OMB approved CCC-185
  - act on applications after receiving training from the State Office.
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